NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND INTENT TO RENEW MORATORIUM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC) will hold a public hearing to receive public testimony to renew a moratorium. The hearing will be on November 14, 2016 at the Lewis County Courthouse, commencing at or after 10:00 a.m.

At the hearing members of the public will be invited to speak and/or provide written statements regarding the proposed Ordinance 1272. After the public testimony portion of the hearing has ended, the BOCC will deliberate and consider modifications to the ordinance that are proposed by members of the public, county employees or the BOCC. The proposed ordinance may then be adopted with or without modifications.

The hearing will address renewal of a moratorium upon establishments involved in the production, processing and retail sale of marijuana and related products. The moratoria adopted pursuant to the authority of RCW 36.70A.390 are methods by which local governments may preserve the status quo so that new plans and regulations will not be rendered moot by intervening development. The County staff may need an additional six-month period to further develop recommendations in the form of draft code amendments for the BOCC to further consider.

All persons wishing to be heard on this matter are encouraged to attend. Written comments may be submitted in advance of the hearing by mail or at the hearing by delivery in person. Please deliver copies of all written comments to the Clerk of the Lewis County BOCC at 351 NW North St, Chehalis, WA 98532.

The draft ordinance is available on line at the Lewis County website at http://lewiscountywa.gov/planning-division. Hard copies are available to review at the Lewis County Department of Community Development at 2025 NE Kresky Ave., Chehalis WA, and at the Timberland Regional libraries located at: Chehalis, Centralia, Salkum, Randle, Packwood, and Winlock, as well as the Lewis County Senior Centers located at: Morton, Toledo, Twin Cities (Chehalis), Packwood, and Winlock in accordance with Lewis County Code Chapter 17.12.

For questions concerning the above, please contact: Lee Napier at Lewis County Community Development at 360-740-2606.

This meeting site is barrier free.

People needing special assistance or accommodations should contact The Commissioners' Office
72 hours in advance of the meeting.

Phone: (360) 740-1120

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